

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes

Committee	Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Annual Meeting
Date	Thursday, October 21, 2010
Time	8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Location	Salt Lake County Public Works Bldg., 604 West 6960 South Room 106, Midvale, UT 84047
Members Present	Gaby Anderson, Pat Berckman, Charri Brummer, Adam Cohen, Karen Crompton, Gini Highfield, Spencer Larsen, James Marchel, Judge Michie, Rachael Skidmore
Members Excused	Craig Dearden, Patrick Garcia, Maria Garciaz, Maxwell Jackson, Troy Rawlings, Russ Van Vleet, Pam Vickrey
Members Absent	Princess Gutierrez, Kaisa Kinikini, Morgan Lawson
Staff	Reg Garff, Ron Gordon, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen
Visitors	Lt. Wade Breur, Susan Burke, Matt Davis, Dan Maldonado, Brent Platt, Moises Prospero, Major Scott Stephenson, Mike Tanana, Mindy Vanderloo, Ray Wahl
Agenda Item	Welcome and Approval of Minutes
Notes	Adam Cohen called the meeting to and welcomed everyone. Judge Michie made the motion to approve the minutes from the September meeting. Gaby Anderson seconded the motion which passed unanimously .
Agenda Item	CCJJ Accomplishments/Projects
Notes	<p>Ron Gordon spoke briefly about some of the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice's accomplishments/projects this past year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Combined monies from Gang Mini-Grants and Crime Prevention Grants, in order to fund larger gang reduction projects as opposed to many smaller projects. Those projects are a re-entry program in Ogden and Provo's OJJD Comprehensive Gang Reduction Model. The Gang Task Force is working on a literature review that will produce some kind of publication for policy makers at the local level as to what has been found effective in regard to gang intervention. The task force is a state task force, but realizes that these issues are local and that a single statewide approach will not solve the problem. Work is ongoing on a state website that will provide information to legislators, local policy makers, school officials, parents and teachers. CCJJ set aside about \$700,000 from the Justice Assistance Grant monies for evidence based programs. That money will be made available for alternatives to incarceration, focusing on the adult system and overcrowding at the prison, funding one or two projects. It is important to find ways to help parolees to complete parole successfully and not end up back in prison. In process of re-writing the statewide warrant system, which is a large undertaking. What prompted this is the desire to provide notification to petitioner's of a protective order to know when it has been served. The VINE (Victim Information Notification Everyday) system currently notifies victims via automated phone calls. The system currently does not work for protective orders. Telephone calls may be on their way out and replaced with a text messaging system. This will enable notification on more events (such as court events) and will be more cost effective. Recently completed the bi-yearly Crime Victimization Survey and starting to analyze the data. Starting a new study on dating violence on Utah college campuses. Grand Jury Committee has been meeting. There are some in prosecutor's offices that would like greater access to grand juries. CCJJ hired a new Business Analyst, Clair Webster who will work on information systems and technology issues.
Agenda Item	Statistical Report – Risk and Protective Factors in Utah
Notes	Matt Davis reviewed the evaluation structure. The purpose of the evaluations is not only to measure outcomes, but to help the Board fund and develop quality programs. The process begins with an RFP (Request for Proposal). Evaluations for quality are done the first year of programs with site visits every six months reviewing program structure and to evaluate program improvement. This helps to find out sooner what works or not and to make programs better. Year 1, Implementation, Site visits at the start,

	<p>2 months and 6 months. Did the program target participants who may benefit? Were quality components implemented? Year 2: Is the program improving? (site visits at 12 and 18 months) Year 3, Effectiveness. Do the youth show change? (site visits at 24 months)</p> <p>The RAPIT tool (Risk and Protective Information Tool) is on the web via a link on the UBJJ website (www.juvenile.utah.gov) and is accessible to the public. RAPIT provides risk factors for juveniles in the State of Utah. The information was collected from SHARP (Student Health & Risk Prevention) surveys in 2003, 2005, 2007 and 2009 from Utah students in grades 6, 8, 10 and 12. The survey measures four basic areas: Anti-Social behavior, Substance abuse, Risk and Protective factors. Matt analyzed data using the RAPIT tool and suggested focus on the following target areas: (1) Anti-Social behavior, (2) Geographical areas: Salt Lake, Tooele, Weber/Morgan and Four Corners, (3) Best time to intervene is before 8th grade.</p> <p>Mike Tanana discussed the existing programs tool and global indicators. Risk and Protective factors can be viewed county by county. The CJC is working on getting survey data broken down into neighborhoods, which will more clearly illustrate problem areas. The tool will include a list of programs available statewide. The existing programs tool will most likely be available on the UBJJ website sometime next year.</p>
Agenda Item	Systemic Priorities
Notes	<p>JJS – Dan Maldonado: JJS successes this last year include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Surviving an 8 million dollar cut in federal funding on top of major cuts in the general fund ▪ Initiated QSR (Quality of Service Review), a nationally ranked formatting for facilities. ▪ PREA – Prison Rape Elimination Act, is an issue for the entire juvenile and adult system. Last report cycle showed only one issue over the course of the year. ▪ Impact Testing – tests job applicants for personal boundaries ▪ Continuing use of Evidence Based Practices ▪ Suggest considering greater promotion in the media of good work done in juvenile justice. <p>Juvenile Court – Ray Wahl spoke about Utah's Juvenile Court's major accomplishments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Probation Officer EBP (Evidenced Based Practices) Certification, 100% success ▪ Published the Third Annual Report Card to the Community ▪ E-payments and My Case applications (fines & restitution may be paid online) ▪ U of U helping court with program evaluations (find out which programs work/don't work) ▪ On-line training now available on Court Agency Record Exchange (CARE) for clerical staff <p>Impact of Court Budget Reductions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agency budget was cut 5.5% ▪ Reduction of 11.5 probation officers ▪ Total number of referrals to the juvenile court fell between 2009 and 2010 <p>The courts have fewer service providers, are dealing with morale issues and the public's reduced ability to pay. Focus remains on efficiencies, electronic solutions and continuous quality improvement. Ray also echoed Dan's suggestion to promote good work done in juvenile justice through the media.</p> <p>DCFS – Brent Platt, Director of DCFS feels grateful the agency survived the loss of two major employees. DCFS is pleased to offer live service on the phones. All case workers are together in one office which provides more consistency. All reviews show that DCFS is still keeping children safe, despite budget cutbacks. Other states look to Utah as an example.</p>
Agenda Item	Juvenile Justice System Review
Notes	Reg reviewed the Utah Juvenile Justice system from first point of contact with law enforcement, to receiving and detention centers, hearings and programs, custody and release and all points in between.
Agenda Item	Review & Establish 2011 Funding Priorities
Notes	The Board discussed funding priorities for 2011, making many suggestions. Reg will incorporate those changes and email them to the Board for review. A vote will then be taken at a future meeting.
Agenda Item	DMC – POST Curriculum Review
Notes	Major Scott Stephenson and Lt. Wade Breur gave a presentation on the new POST Community Relations Curriculum that the DMC (Disproportionate Minority Contact) Committee has been working

	on for the past year in conjunction with POST. It was a fun and thought provoking presentation. The community relations training helps law enforcement (and could also help non law enforcement agencies as well) to recognize and apply the same open minded approach with people they care about when dealing with people they do not know. The DMC Committee will work on getting the curriculum adapted for other agencies to use. The next POST class is in January. Anyone interested in attending should contact Reg.																		
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Notes	<p>UBJJ Accomplishments –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Secured more than \$1.25 million in federal grant funds targeting juvenile justice in Utah. ▪ Hosted two successful site visits from OJJDP with no findings. ▪ Oversaw Utah's compliance with the four core requirements of the JJDP ▪ Oversaw activities of twenty subgrants ▪ Provided 61 scholarships for Utah based juvenile justice conferences ▪ Worked with the University of Utah Criminal Justice Center to implement new program development model ▪ 100% of UBJJ sponsored programs showed either positive changes or no change in risk and protective factors. 17% showed positive changes ▪ Updated UBJJ Web Site creating additional information and transparency to the community ▪ DMC subcommittee began implementing a plan to address disparity in diversion for minority youth in Salt Lake, Utah and Weber counties ▪ Established a collaborative relationship with (POST) Peace Officer Standards and Training to create a new community relations training curriculum ▪ 912 seventh and eighth graders submitted writings to Utah's Challenge to <i>Do the Write Thing</i>. That is 139 more than last year. ▪ 10 school districts participated in the Challenge with 1,513 seventh and eighth graders participating in classroom discussions about youth violence. ▪ 2 Students, their teachers and a parent were sent to Washington DC to participate in the National Recognition Event where their writings were placed in the Library of Congress. They also met with Utah's Congressional Delegation. <p>Reg and Adam thanked the Board and CJC for a great year of work and progress.</p> <p>UBJJ Attendance – Reg handed out a graph showing attendance of board meetings for the past year and recognized Gini Highfield and Troy Rawlings for attending every meeting over the past year. Last year the Board set a goal to achieve 75% attendance rate for the year. The Board only reached 64% attendance.</p> <p>Annual Report to Governor/Legislature - Reg briefly discussed the UBJJ 2009 Annual Report. The report outlines UBJJ's priority program areas, a listing of current funding projects and the UBJJ outcome measures evaluation. Suggestions for next year's report: List Board members on the back side of the page and put Grants and Priority Areas on the front. Reg will update the website with instructions on what is expected at site visits.</p> <p>Site Visit Assignments –</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Outcome Evaluation</td><td>Adam Cohen, Spencer Larsen, Gaby Anderson</td></tr> <tr> <td>SSLC Substance Abuse Prevention</td><td>Jim Marchel, Gini Highfield</td></tr> <tr> <td>Too Good for Drugs</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>Choices</td><td>Karen Crompton</td></tr> <tr> <td>Compliance Monitoring</td><td>Judge Michie</td></tr> <tr> <td>Jail Removal</td><td>Judge Michie</td></tr> <tr> <td>Connections</td><td>Spencer Larsen</td></tr> <tr> <td>Uintah Basin Youth Services</td><td>Pat Berckman, Cuong Nguyen</td></tr> <tr> <td>Tooele Youth Services</td><td>Gaby Anderson, Pat Berckman, Rachael Skidmore</td></tr> </table>	Outcome Evaluation	Adam Cohen, Spencer Larsen, Gaby Anderson	SSLC Substance Abuse Prevention	Jim Marchel, Gini Highfield	Too Good for Drugs		Choices	Karen Crompton	Compliance Monitoring	Judge Michie	Jail Removal	Judge Michie	Connections	Spencer Larsen	Uintah Basin Youth Services	Pat Berckman, Cuong Nguyen	Tooele Youth Services	Gaby Anderson, Pat Berckman, Rachael Skidmore
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Agenda Item	Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Act																		
Notes	<p>The JJDP Act was established in 1974 and was most recently reauthorized in 2002. The JJDP Act embodies a partnership between the federal government and the U.S. states and territories to protect children and youth in the juvenile justice system, adequately address delinquent behavior and improve community safety by preventing juvenile crime and delinquency.</p> <p>Utah's compliance with the JJDP Act is foremost. If we ever fall out of compliance, critical funding would</p>																		

	<p>be lost.</p> <p>The Board reviewed the JJDP Act reauthorization, S678, which passed the Senate Judiciary Committee in August 2010. The reauthorization includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Strengthens the DMC component ▪ Extends the jail removal and sight and sound core requirements to keep youth awaiting trial in criminal court out of adult lock-ups and to ensure sight and sound separation in the limited circumstances where they are held in adult facilities. ▪ Allows States to continue to serve youth tried in adult court in juvenile facilities without jeopardizing federal funding ▪ Strengthens the deinstitutionalization of status offenders (DSO) core requirement ▪ Requires States that still permit the use of the Valid Court Order exception to phase out use of the VCO within three years. ▪ Creates incentive grants ▪ Restores and strengthens the role of OJJDP ▪ Sets more appropriate authorization levels for Title II and Title V, citing authorization levels in the legislation ▪ Keeps the focus on prevention and intervention
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 2010, Utah State Capitol Complex, Spruce Room, 8 am – 9:30 am

Minutes prepared by Jo Lynn Kruse – Administrative Assistant, CCJJ